



IN THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
BEFORE THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Williams, Roger C. )  
Serial No: 09/842,386 ) Group No.:2833  
Filed: 04/25/2001 ) Examiner: Ta, Tho Dac  
For: Rigid Support Ring Molded Into Elastomeric Connector Lip)

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

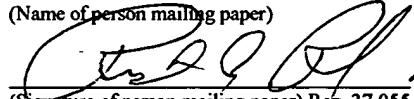
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**AMENDMENT**

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